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@WRIGHT_CRUSHES

*Finding love one
tweet at a time*

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Wednesday, April 10

- WSU Softball vs. Dayton: 6-8 p.m. WSU Softball Field
- Trombone Studio Recital: 8 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Thursday, April 11

- Asian Heritage Month Film: "China's Lost Girls": 12-12:45 p.m. 161 Millett Hall
- Interfaith Symposium: 4:30-9 p.m. Student Union Atrium
- Graduate Recital: Yuxin Zheng, piano: 5:30 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC
- Paul Laurence Dunbar Chorale: 8 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Friday, April 12

- Multicultural Affairs & Community Engagement Diversity Awards and Reception: 3-5 p.m. Student Union Atrium
- NPHC Step Show: 7-10

p.m. McLin Gym Nutter Center

- Poetry Month Celebration Final Concert: 8 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Saturday, April 13

- Junior Recital: Benjamin Geist, piano; Jessica Cox, piano: 3 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC
- Senior Recital: Bridget Beyke, piano: 5:30 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC
- Senior Recital: Thomas Skelton, tenor: 5:30 p.m. Recital Hall, CAC
- Collegiate Chorale: 8 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Sunday, April 14

- Student Honors Recital: 3 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC
- 2013 Senior Show Opening Reception: 4-5:30 p.m. CAC
- Guest Artists: Bilinda Lou, piano & Asia Doike, violin: 5:30 p.m.

Schuster Hall, CAC

- Senior Recital: Emily Schulte, soprano: 8 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Monday, April 15

- LogicSoft Information Session: 2-4 p.m. 010 Student Union
- Clarinet Studio Recital: 6 p.m. Recital Hall, CAC
- Horn Studio Recital: 8 p.m. Recital Hall, CAC

Tuesday, April 16

- WSU Softball vs. Toledo (DH): 4-8 p.m. WSU Softball Field
- Student Recital: Ashley Geist, Sharon Chaney and Amy Cheng, piano: 5:30 p.m. Schuster Hall, CAC

Wednesday, April 17

- Asian Heritage Month Showcase of WSU Students' Artworks: All Day, 161 Millett Hall
- WSU Walk on the Woods: 12-12:30 p.m. The Rock

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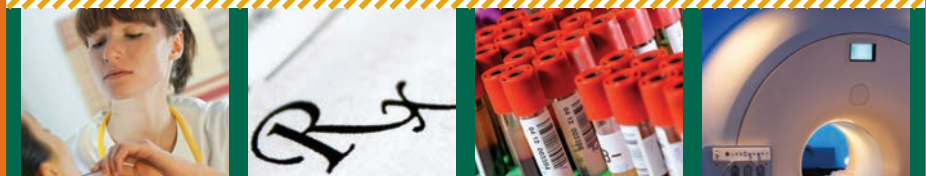
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@WRIGHT_CRUSHES Finding love one tweet at a time

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Wright State students who use twitter have probably ran across a tweet from the WSU "Crushes" account.

The account -- launched only a few weeks ago -- is a place where WSU students can anonymously talk or send a shout out to someone they have been admiring or have a crush on.

In its short existence, the account has already accumulated over 1,750 followers -- only about 1,000 less than the official Wright State account.

There have been a number of unofficial Wright State twitter accounts popping up on the social networking site the past month, including the recently shut down "WSU Confessions" account and even an account called "Wright Poops" where students can discuss their favorite place on campus to use the restroom.

But without a doubt, the most popular of these accounts is WSU Crushes, who recently spoke with the Guardian. The two female administrators of the account remained anonymous during the interview, going so far as to disguise themselves with sunglasses and bandanas while discussing the twitter account.

"(WSU Crushes) is a place where students can interact with their crushes," the student

said. "Everyone is shy and when people have a chance to post something anonymously, they're more likely to write it."

The female student said she created the account when she discovered that students from many other universities have similar accounts.

"The reason why I started it was because other schools have them," the student said.

"Ohio State has one, Ohio University, Kent State, Cleveland State -- so I assumed we had one, so I searched "WSU Crushes" and we didn't have an account, so I thought that's a perfect opportunity for me to start one on this campus."

The account -- not officially affiliated with Wright State -- claims on their Ask.fm submit page that crushes now will only include the first name of a crush along with the initial of their last name "to protect identities." The account also claims to not discriminate against sexual orientation, race, religion, gender or disabilities.

In addition, the administrators said they refuse to post anything vulgar or a tweet that could paint Wright State in a negative light. The page will no longer post anything involving fraternities or sororities after being requested to stop.

"If someone wants anything removed, we'll remove it from the account immediately," the student said.

Overall, the administrators to the page have called the account a great success so far.

"It's been overwhelming positive," the student said. "People like it. At one point we had 600 (new) followers in one day."

All those new followers led to a lot of crushes being sent in on a daily basis, forcing the original creator of the page to seek help to make sure the crushes were being sent out in a timely manner.

Both girls running the account said they plan to remain anonymous, but enjoy the success the page has been seeing recently.

"It's fun," the student said. "People are obsessed with knowing our identity. One person compared me to Batman. I laugh because I see everybody is on the Wright State crushes account."

One of the goals of the account, according to the administrators, is to find a success story, but nobody has come forward yet saying they met because of a crush on the page.

"I keep posting every couple days 'Who's going to be the first Wright State couple?' so I'm waiting for that," the student said.

While the page is still in its infancy, the administrators of WSU Crushes hope to see the page live on for a long time.

"I'm hoping this isn't the peak of it," the student said. "I think it could go on for a long time, especially with incoming freshmen every year. I'm hoping while Twitter is still around, it'll be the go-to account for crushes."

NPR Correspondent teaches course at WSU

Communicating science information

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This summer, NPR (formerly National Public Radio) correspondent Jon Hamilton will be teaching a graduate level course at Wright State.

According to a March 21 press release, Hamilton's course will focus on "how to communicate scientific information in a way that is brief, clear, engaging, and fun."

Summer 2013 will mark the fourth offering of the web-based course, entitled "Communications in Science."

In the past, Hamilton's students have included scientists, journalists, educators and others.

"What my students have in common is an interest in science and a desire to convey scientific information in a way that's entertaining, clear and informative," explained Hamilton, whose 2009 piece on the neuroscience behind autism treatment earned him the Michael E. DeBakey Journalism Award that year.

Hamilton first agreed to teach the scientific communication course at WSU in 2010 when

he visited the campus for an NPR story. Working with NPR, Hamilton speaks with scientists every day, and while most of them have important, fascinating things to say, many of them struggle with communicating their knowledge to the public in a way that can be understood.

Unfortunately, serious problems can arise without clear scientific communication.

Hamilton is concerned that some people and elected officials don't fully understand the basics of important scientific issues.

In the past, incomplete understanding of issues like evolutionary biology, environmental toxins and climate change resulted in some poor decisions—not vaccinating children for lethal diseases or ignoring sea level rise until a storm floods Manhattan, for example. "If journalists, educators, and scientists did a better job communicating scientific ideas, we could make better decisions in the future," said Hamilton.

For more information about Hamilton's Scientific Communications course, visit www.med.wright.edu/ or call Stacy Hendry, B.S., at (937) 775-4091.



Jon Hamilton. Photo from www.npr.org

The Guardian's favorite crush confessions

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WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 8 Apr
"To the WSU girls who haven't given up on us good guys were still here"
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WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 4 Apr
"Will G, I know that G is silent but I can't stay silent any longer. I wanna bite of that dark chocolate :)"
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 7 Apr
"You stood up for me before and that's something no one has ever had the guts to do. I just wish you'd notice me now.."
Expand

The Guardian took a gander through @WRIGHT_CRUSHES tweets and picked out some of our favorites. Enjoy!



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 25 Mar
"The guy who looks like Edward from Twilight can "bite" me any day"
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 25 Mar
"The hottest black girl I've ever seen. Pretty sure she lives in the woods. GIVE A WHITE BOY A CHANCE, Lol."
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 8h
"Man, this guy in Russ...red headed, super tall, always in the computer lab...I'll let you write my code any day :)"
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 25 Mar
"When i'm at the pool I secretly want to fake drown just to have the muscular lifeguard give me mouth-to-mouth #sandlot"
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 4 Apr
"Everyone having issues being noticed just say what's up to your crush. What do you REALLY have to lose?" Go for it!!
#confidence
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 28 Mar
"The guy who randomly added me on Facebook and talked to me about pregnancy should ask me out"
Expand



WSU Crushes @WRIGHT_CRUSHES 3 Apr
"To my burritto from Chipotle today. You were looking so good. I couldnt help but put you inside my hot wet mouth."
Expand

Negative impact of WSU confessions

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There has been a lot of talk about the WSU Crushes and WSU Confessions Twitter handles lately. Fortunately for Wright State, the WSU Confessions Twitter has been suspended, but @WRIGHT_CRUSHES is still available for your viewing pleasure.

Personally, as entertaining as WSU Confessions was, its demise is easily understood and also very fortunate for WSU.

For those of you who did not have a chance to see some of the tweets from the account, they were a little horrendous. Some told of their "threesome" experiences with RAs, while others shared their sexual

escapades in each building on campus, and one person even shared that they urinated in their roommate's shampoo bottle!

The behavior shared on WSU Confessions is behavior that can be seen at all college campuses, but associating WSU with these behaviors can negatively impact the university and its reputation.

At one point a confession was posted saying that the confessions on the account was making them reconsider going to the university. Ouch!

I am all for good fun and entertainment (and believe me it was entertaining), but when a Twitter account affects or could possibly affect our university maybe we as students should rethink our actions and not share them to the world.

Through the flames we go

A student's thought on taking initiative and WSU Crushes

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I believe that if you have a crush, take the initiative. Tell the person you like them, regardless of your gender, and ask the one you like out on a date. Do something to try and get to know them better. I guarantee when you look back at your life twenty years from now, you won't regret the things you did. You'll regret the things you didn't do.

What do you really have to lose? Who cares if they say they don't like you back; take the loss gracefully and build upon it step by step. Use it to

your advantage. In the end, the elation of someone you like liking you back is worth a thousand rejections.

Who cares if you fail? Each failure brings you closer to knowing what succeeds. Each failure brings you closer to knowing who's right to go after and who isn't. Each failure makes you stronger, wiser, and closer to knowing who you really are as a person.

Believe me, it's always painful to see the person you like take their affections to another. I get that, I really do. Believe me too when I say I've failed many times as well. The difference? I wouldn't trade those experiences for anything.

@WRIGHT_CRUSHES, our

own sensuous sandbox of sonnets and sullied sentences to one another, has recently brought a little online fun to this crush experience we all share. It's hilarious, fun-loving, hardly intimate, and ridiculous in all the right ways. It's also completely anonymous.

While I love WSU Crushes, getting out there and really telling your crush what's on your mind shines far brighter than typing your feelings out through a keyboard. Who knows, you could end up far happier than you could have ever imagined.

"The weakness of flesh is to settle for less."

Get out there and make it happen. You have everything to gain, and nothing to lose.

First doctoral degree introduced in CEHS: Organizational leadership program



College of Education and Human Services

CEHS logo from www.wright.edu

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The College of Education and Human Services (CEHS) will be introducing its first-ever doctoral program in the fall, which will focus on organizational studies.

"It's really wonderful that we now have a doctoral level program within the college," Leadership Studies in Education Professor Jill Lindsey said.

The "Doctorate of Education in Organizational Studies" is intended for leaders from a variety of organizations, and will provide an "interdisciplinary approach to the study of topics, theories and research critical to the success of leaders in a variety of settings," according to CEHS.

"Some will be in K12 settings, some will be in university settings, some will be in small businesses, government or

community organizations," Lindsey said.

The first two years of the program will focus on core materials, and will be delivered as a cohort. Students will then be advised to focus on either leading or learning in organizations, according to Lindsey.

"The whole program is really designed around the notion that leading and learning transpire in organizations," Lindsey said. "It's not a pure concentration, it's a focus, because imbedded in the program is [a] natural relationship."

Lindsey said that the program had been in the works at Wright State long enough that CEHS had a list of many potential students interested in the program.

"We've been developing this program for years; not this particular program, but various versions of it," Lindsey said. "We had quite a listserv

of perspective students who were interested in the program, and we immediately sent out information to those individuals."

Lindsey said that 10 to 12 students would be admitted to the program for fall semester, and 6 to 8 would be admitted each year after, though the numbers could change depending on the admittance interest.

CEHS will be accepting applications for the fall program through May 1. 5 years of management-level leadership experience are required for those wishing to enter the program, according to Lindsey.

Lindsey said that the department was excited to launch a new opportunity.

"My faculty is so excited to be delivering this program," Lindsey said. "I think anyone who decides to undertake this program will get a rich learning experience."

OSGA headed by WSU student



Spencer Brannon. Image provided by Wright State Student Government

Student Government Submission

The Ohio Student Government Association — one of the nation's largest intercollegiate student

government associations — will once again be headed by a Wright State student. The organization elected Spencer Brannon, Wright State Student Government Chief of Staff, as its top executive at its semiannual conference at the Ohio Board of Regents on April 5. His election marks the fourth time in eight years, according to elections records, that a Raider has been tapped as chairman.

Brannon, a junior political science and economics student, will succeed Jonas Kiessling, also a Raider, as chairman for the upcoming year. Kiessling, who is president of the College of Liberal Arts Dean's Student Advisory Board and previously served as the organization's Executive Director, will graduate in April.

Brannon assumes the top spot after serving as the organization's vice-chairman and head of its government affairs arm. Under his leadership, the organization was invited to testify before the House Higher

Education Subcommittee, the first time a statewide student group has received such an honor. It also created a policy proposal for tuition and graduation guarantees that will soon be proposed before the Ohio Senate.

"OSGA is in a position to be one of the most effective student advocates in Ohio, and I am humbled and grateful that our member-institutions trust me with leading it," said Brannon. At the conference, which featured officials from the Board of Regents and Ohio General Assembly, Brannon said he wants to strengthen intercollegiate collaboration and pursue legislative goals that give students a greater say in university governance.

OSGA is a non-profit representative association of student governments from across Ohio. It fosters collaboration between universities and advocates for student interests to policymakers at the state and federal level.

"Bacon" sculpture: It's here to stay

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It is official: 'the bacon' is back.

For four days beginning on April 1, Wright State University art students teamed with "Divisions" artist Linda Cunningham to mend the cracked and weathered monument, which stood drenched with precipitation and covered in yellow 'caution' tape for months.

"The problem was, once it was not in good condition, it was difficult for me to have it returned to me because I would arrange for a new site for it. I had to come out and see what was not 'ok'," Cunningham said.

Instead of having her artwork repaired by means outside of WSU, Cunningham decided to make the restoration process an educational experience.

"They [WSU] were very generously supporting this project," Cunningham said. "[Sculpture students] would learn and do things that they would never have done otherwise and on a scale they would never do in a class. It's good for everybody; a win-win."

Sculpture Technician Landon Crowell said the wood used to build "Divisions" had begun to deteriorate because it had not been treated and "properly sealed" for years. To fix that problem, Crowell said the bottom portion of the structures had to be sealed to prevent further water leaks that could eventually topple "Divisions."

"We're using the same materials that were there before. We're sealing the bottoms so that they don't rot anymore," Crowell said. "It's [the sculpture] a danger because it would have fallen over on someone."

"We're using a high-quality wood preservative. It takes a two-step operation where you put wood cleaner on it and brush it to get all of the old deteriorated wood off of it, and then this new stuff penetrates and cleans it. It's like an acid that treats it to control the mold. It's a rather huge operation with a lot of parts," Cunningham said.

Fine Arts major Lawrence Jones, who assisted in the repairs, said the sculpture was originally treated 15 years ago, which Cunningham confirmed.

Crowell said the majority of the restoration process was completed on April 4, but "there are still a couple of touchups that need to be completed."

"[The sculpture] has been here for a while and it's nice that we are restoring it to keep it around since it's kind of traditional," said Studio Art major Heather Foust. "It's been here for over 15 years and it's going to look a lot nicer when it's back up because it will look more 'industrial'."

Cunningham was amused at the "bacon" moniker WSU students have given her creation, but said the real meaning of her work is found in the placards, which are inscribed with French-Jewish Philosopher Emmanuel Lévinas' "Totalité et Infini" and translated into the six official languages of the U.N.; French, Arabic, Chinese, Russian, Spanish and English.

"It was redder at one time," Cunningham said while laughing about the 'bacon' reference. "I have not heard that before."

"Not everybody takes the trouble to read the plaques that are on it, which would give you the sense of what the meaning of this is."

Cunningham said because WSU is not in a financial position to purchase the sculpture from her, she is working on planning a new location for "Divisions" "probably within the next year."



Professor Emily Trick and sculpture students working on the Divisions sculpture repairs. Photo by Andrew Smith

Wright State University Student Leader Awards

Photos by Jason Baldwin Staff Photographer



Winners of the 2013 Outstanding Advanced Leader Award.



Mohamed Gula receives the Diversity Award.



Andrea Stojavljevic receives the Distinguished Outstanding Senior Leader Award.



Last years Distinguished Advanced Leader Samantha Young was one of the recipients of the Outstanding Senior Leader Award.



Karli Lightner presenting the awards to the Outstanding Emerging Leader recipients.



Students and faculty setting up the sculpture portion of the Senior Thesis Exhibition on April 8th. Photo by Beth Phillips Volunteer Photographer

Art students to prepare for Senior Thesis

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The Senior Thesis Exhibition is a requirement for seniors working on their Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA). All students can submit up to 10 pieces to the Art and Art History committee for the exhibition. The concentration is on photography, printmaking, sculpture and painting. Each senior will have at least one piece in the show.

The exhibition will be open to the public on April 14 through April 20. On opening day

students will be available so viewers can ask questions and give feedback.

"The exhibition is a capstone activity for BFA students in Art and Art History required to participate as a condition to get their degree. We currently have 31 participants," Chair and Professor of the Art and Art History Department Glen Cebulash said.

"This is largely a student run production that starts at the beginning of the school year," Cebulash said. "Faculty advisors meet with students who want to be in it and those students break up into committees to raise money, advertise and the

reception preparations."

According to Cebulash, students' work is judged as a group decision, and is always based on quality. The work is juried four weeks before the exhibition. Normally students have anywhere from one to five pieces submitted in the show. On opening day there is expected to be 200 to 300 people and most of that is family and friends.

"I'm really excited to see all my friends and family and have fun. It's a chance for me to show them everything I've worked for in the last four years hanging on the walls," senior Megan Spencer said. "I would

tell all juniors to start working early and go to this year's show so that you know what to expect."

"I hope that this show continues to provide a showcase of the highest quality of student work in the Miami Valley. We are proud of our students and want to show their achievements," Cebulash said.

Cebulash said the show has changed over the years because enrollment has increased and the show has gotten larger. New faculty also has an impact on student work because they decide what will be in the show as well as the methods they teach and how they grade the

students. The emphasis of the show has also slightly changed from just doing it to graduate to encouraging students at earlier stages to think more cohesively as art students, and select work that examines their interests instead of work for a project in their classes.

"We don't reject anybody. It's just more or less of their work depending on the quality. This show is geared toward preparing students for the professional art world," Cebulash said. "They need to have experience selecting work and going through an evaluation process. It's very common in the art world."

Senior Week to celebrate students' time at WSU

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The office of Alumni Relations will hold the second annual Senior Week, to allow seniors to reflect on their time at WSU and have fun. They have put together a variety of activities both on and off campus. This year's Senior Week will be from April 13-19.

"Last year, this week had more career based events, we have decided to make it more fun and younger," Graduate Assistant of the Office of Alumni Relations and Chair of Senior

Week Ryan Young said. "We are giving seniors the chance to relate with young graduates."

According to Young, the week of events starts on Saturday, April 13 as a service day with Beaver Creek Wetlands Association. This event will allow students to enjoy and work together as a community service project. As the week progresses, students are encouraged to wear green and gold on Monday for school pride. Later that evening seniors will be congratulated on their success with the Senior Champagne.

"I'm really looking forward to the Senior Champagne because

we will honor senior leaders and allow them to network with other students about future plans," Young said.

"On Tuesday of Senior Week we will have a panel of recent graduates that know what life is like after you graduate," Young said. "They will talk to seniors about what they have done, strategies, and who's looking to hire. Also on Wednesday we will be having an Alumni Speaker Series given by Andrea Kunk. She is a graduate and currently the CFO of a company, and under 30. She is here to share her experiences as well."

The week will wrap up with a Senior Picnic on Thursday,

and the traditional Digging in the Mud Thursday evening. Students will grab a team of six people and prepare to get muddy. They are encouraged to bring a cereal, dry pasta or pasta sauce to benefit the Food Pantry on campus. The last day of the week students can enjoy April Craze; a campus wide event with numerous student organizations, games, food and fun.

During Senior Week, seniors will receive a card, and upon attending events throughout the week, the card will be punched and a prize will be awarded for attending all the events.

Young expects about 200

students to attend these events. All students are invited to attend the events during Senior Week, except for the Senior Champagne, which is for seniors only.

"Students should come to these events because they will experience engagement, networking and fun," Young said. "My goal is to make sure seniors have a lasting memory at WSU. It's important for them to know they have our support and everyone is proud of their hard work."

For more information about these events or to register, contact Ryan Young at young.347@wright.edu.

An Ode to Nexus:

The Guardian's Semesterly Literary Page

Not All Fish Are the Same



Photo by Cheryl Empey www.sxc.hu

Evan Pillsbury
Literary Page Contributor

I was ten when my father died. The doctor told my mother drinking is what caused the liver failure and ultimately led to his death. There are two things I remember most about him:

First, I loved my father and no one could replace him.

Second, my father loved to fish and I believe he handed that on down to me.

Two weeks before he passed, we were in the marsh on our airboat, much further than I'd been on previous trips. He'd hooked a whopper of a fish and was struggling with it bad. I'd never seen his hands shake with such difficulty reeling anything in. It took an hour before he was able to bring that whiskered son-of-a-gun alongside the boat. Then, with one jerk, he pulled that fish out the water; with it came the gator.

Water slapped my face as the giant leapt from the murk, catching the fish in its jaws. I fell back into the boat while my father fought for the pole. The gator rolled on the line, ripped the pole from his hands and disappeared to the bottom water.

My father fell into his seat and cracked another beer. "The rascal ripped it right out my hands," he said, tipping the can back and crushing it when he was finished. "He'll come up in a minute. Grab my rifle, Junior." He staggered back to his feet, squinting his eyes to search for air bubbles. "Come on, he'll be up any second." His empty hand hovered in front of my face, fingers motioning for the gun.

The gator appeared, fifty feet from our boat; fishtail hanging from its mouth. We watched as he raised his massive head, opened his jaws, and swallowed the fish whole.

My father swatted the hat off of my head to bring me back. "Dang it, Junior, where's the rifle?"

I lifted my grandfather's old .22 from the rack.

"I ain't never seen no gator like it. Get us closer, Junior," he said.

I grabbed a paddle amongst the rusted beer cans and gave a sturdy push. As we got closer, I could see the gator more clearly. Its left eye was an eerie blue, covered by a leathery stripe of pale white. *

The Lone Buffalo

Olivia Copenhaver Rubin
Literary Page Contributor

When we left there was no plan. It was just the two of us, Todd's car, an atlas rolled up next to my feet and the western sky. Todd wanted to drive. I was itching to take photos.

By the time we reached Illinois we still didn't know where we would spend the night. Todd took an exit and ended up on a country road that led to a bed and breakfast.

"We're staying here?" I said. Those were the first words spoken in hours.

Todd parked in the gravel driveway. The sun's rays glowed deep oranges and reds as they set across the countryside, which was flat. In front of a vast cornfield was Sweet Dreams. The bed and breakfast was a three-story purple house complete with a gazebo, where the green paint was severely chipping, and an overgrown flower garden lined the yard. Vines snaked up the sides of the house. The house had a small yellow addition in the back, which was a miniature house nestled against maple trees. It looked as if no one lived there for months, a romanticized abandoned house where criminals might meet. Didn't most horror movies take place in the Midwest, in abandoned-looking places just like this? Nevertheless, I grabbed my camera and snapped a few shots of the place. I didn't want to forget.

I squinted at the bed and breakfast. I hadn't washed my hair since we left earlier in the week and I was desperate for a hot shower.

"You want to knock, Avery?" Todd said, right as I took a photo. His mouth was wide open, and his long index finger pointed at the house like a tree branch. *

The Hours Past Midnight

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Cackling lumber ignites Aires' nightlight,
Within newspaper lined brick ware fire pit
Charred marshmallows stick atop their maple wood graves,
The sweet, smoky aroma calls out to raccoons and possums
Scurrying around in nearby woods.

Guitar strings pulled taut, laments their fiery death,
A somber requiem for lost s'mores baking to ash
Barefoot soles tap on concrete
Purple painted nails refracts the fire in a hazy glow
Her mirrored fingers plucks a memory encased from years ago,
One, in which her chestnut eyes relive the rhythm
She strums a few chords; the fire crackles and pops echoing
each note
Callused palms slide up the baseboard, tone crescendos.

Moon smiles in a waxing crescent
Peeking out from behind departing storm clouds leftover from Ike
As if trying to catch a glimpse of his muse,
Sapphire rays streaks across her cheeks
Fireflies sail around her head riding the autumn nor' easters
Eventually making landfall on a black sweatshirt shore
She stops, collecting her glowing fans within her palms
And gently places them atop the white plastic chair stationed at
her side.

The raging fire dims to a hundred embers,
Her bath robed neighbor yells from a second floor window,
For a minute, maybe two, silence sweeps between the yards
Crickets chirp, warming up the crowd
She smiles and brushes away the night from her hair
Before lobbing the last remaining logs onto the starving fire,
Her fingers stretch along the bridge, arching around the strings
They pluck a note, then a couple chords
Playing along with the awakening flames
She sings of the hours past midnight and the days that soon
approach,
While the melody rises with smoke and scorched paper flakes
Disintegrating into dawn's cerulean paint.



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Men's tennis falls to #5 Ohio State



Mens Tennis player practicing for a match. Photo by Raechel Romero Volunteer Photographer

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In facing perhaps their stiffest competition of the season, the Wright State men's tennis team fell to the fifth-ranked Ohio State Buckeyes 4-0 in Columbus Sunday.

OSU cruised through doubles competition, losing only two games in three matches and won three of the six completed singles matches.

"They played their full roster against us, and most times when they play against a school like us, they're going to sit guys," head coach Sean McCaffrey said. "We get a lot of experience out of playing teams like that because we're not going to see anyone that good during the year."

McCaffrey said his team was not intimidated by the nationally ranked Buckeyes and knew their matchup with

OSU was just another part of a challenging schedule his players wanted.

"One of the ideas when we made our schedule this year—all the guys said they wanted to play the best players we could find," McCaffrey said. "We have one of the toughest schedules in the nation. We played Louisville, Indiana and Michigan State this year, and that's a heck of a schedule to play. The guys all knew what they were getting into."

"The only thing they were really upset about was that two of their (OSU's) guys couldn't finish their matches," McCaffrey said. "That really upset us, especially because one of our guys (Lauri Makikalli) had a chance to win against the fourth-ranked player in the nation (Peter Kobelt)."

The Raiders (12-8, 3-0) remain one game back of conference leader Green Bay. The team will travel to take on Green Bay Saturday at 2 p.m.

Track and field stalls at Miami meet

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The Wright State track and field team finished seventh after two days of competition on Friday and Saturday at the

Miami Invitational in Oxford.

Sophomore Kacia Grant highlighted the Raider's results Saturday, finishing third in the 100 meter dash and eighth in the 200 meter dash events one week after winning both events at the Yellow Jacket Collegiate Open in Cedarville. Grant, along with sophomore Sarah-Ann

Blount, freshman Savanna Termuhlen and senior J. Chika Morah, placed third in the 4x100 meter relay race.

Blount placed fourth in the triple jump and ninth in 100 meter hurdles events.

Freshman Brittany Bailey set a school record with a time of 2:17.11 in the 800 meter run

and placed eighth in the event. Grant and Morah teamed with Bailey and freshman E'shira Gooden to finish third in the 4x400 meter relay event.

With less than a month before the Horizon League Outdoor Championships, the team will return for two days of competition beginning Friday at

the All-Ohio Championships in Athens.

The final Ohio-based competitions for the Raiders include the Jesse Owens Classic on April 19 and 20, the Cedarville Collegiate All Comers meet on April 20 and the RedHawk Invitational in Oxford on April 27.



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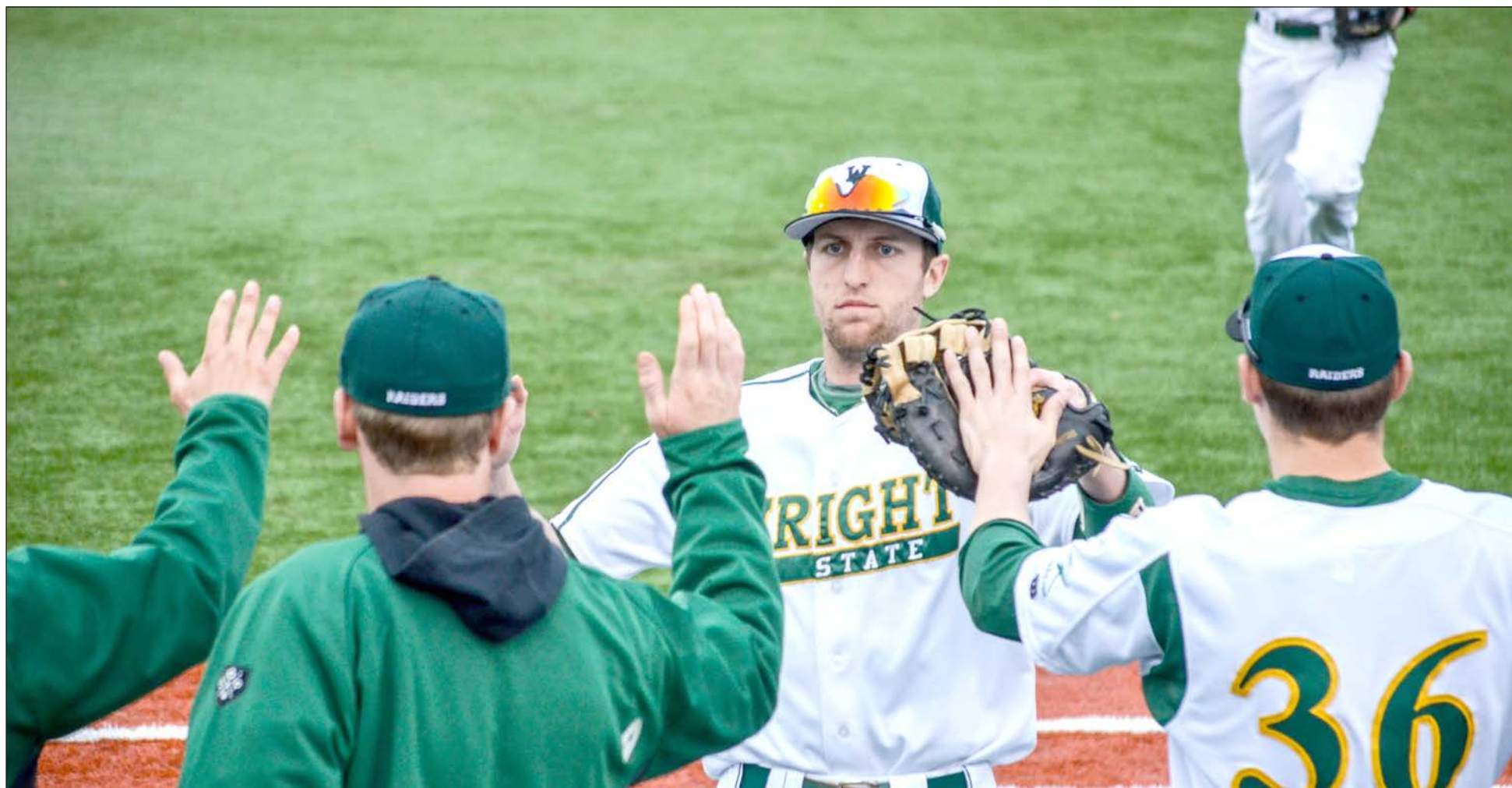
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Baseball takes series from Penn State



Player returning from field at the March 15th game. Photo by Raechel Romero Volunteer Photographer

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It turns out all the Raiders needed to lift their spirits was a trip to Happy Valley.

Wright State (12-16) won two of three games at Penn State last weekend and claimed their first series victory of the season.

WSU tamed the Nittany Lions with timely hitting and solid

pitching in the first two games. On Friday, starter Casey Henn led off the series with seven shutout innings. The Raider bats woke up in the sixth with a Garret Gray RBI single, and the team added two more runs behind a Gray sacrifice fly.

But their 3-0 lead evaporated in the bottom of the eighth inning. Reliever Cody Kopilchack gave up three walks and failed to record an out. PSU capitalized on his lack of control

and used a WSU error to tie the game.

In the top of the eleventh, the Raiders broke through with four runs behind infielder Cody Gardner's two run single. Starter Taylor Braun closed out the game and earned his first save. Outfielder Kieston Greene led the Raiders with four hits in the 7-4 win.

WSU carried momentum over to Saturday with a 6-2 victory. The Raiders came out strong

with two runs off RBI doubles from first baseman Kody Krizman and third baseman Michael Timm. They pushed their lead to 4-1 in the third with another Timm RBI and a PSU error. From there, WSU starter Joey Hoelzel (seven innings, one run) held on for the win.

But WSU's fortune faded on Sunday when the Nittany Lions pulled out the rubber match with an 11-3 win. PSU spoiled Braun's start with five runs in

the first two innings, and the WSU bullpen couldn't slow the surge. Gardner finished with two hits for the Raiders, but the rest of the team managed only five combined hits.

The Raiders left Penn State with a loss, but the series victory gives WSU six wins in their last 11 games. After a slow start to the season, the Raiders are putting together results ahead of next month's Horizon League tournament.

Golf struggles ahead of HL tourney

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It was a disappointing weekend for the Wright State golf team at the NYX Hoosier Invitational.

WSU finished seventeenth out of 18 schools, ahead of only IUPUI. Indiana won the event and finished with a final score of 850. WSU finished with a score of 915.

Junior Rick Denny (225) led the way for WSU as he finished tied for forty-first and shot a team-high round of 74 on the final day.

"It was rough," senior Paul VanDeventer said. "We didn't play very well, we have a very young team, and with the weather we haven't been able to practice much."

VanDeventer finished third on the WSU team behind Denny and freshman Connor Lash. Senior Cody Fixari and sophomore Nick Capozzoli

finished seventy-third and eighty-third, respectively.

The Raiders placed third out of the three Horizon League teams competing as Youngstown State and Detroit each finished tied for eleventh.

WSU shot rounds of 303, 308 and 304 and failed to reach their pre-tournament goals.

"We set a goal of shooting 295 or better every round, but with a lack of practice we're just trying to improve each week and peak during conference," VanDeventer said.

The conference championship

is coming up later this month in Florida (April 26-28). Their last precursor is the Detroit Titans Invitational this Friday and Saturday. Despite the sluggish performance this past weekend in Indiana, VanDeventer believes WSU has the talent to win a championship this season.

"We need to improve in a few areas over the next few weeks in order to win the conference championship which I think will happen," VanDeventer said. "I'm trying to stay positive. I feel

that is important being a leader and with having a young team."

For VanDeventer, the Raiders will need an improved focus and a positive attitude on the links to turn things around.

"We need to make sure to focus on the shot at hand and not [be] worrying about the score until the round is over," VanDeventer said. "They (WSU) are good enough to play, so don't let nerves get in the way of succeeding. Also, we need to stay positive at all times during the round."

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